



Londonderry Conservation Commission  
Tuesday, July 12, 2022  
Minutes

**Present:** Marge Badois, Chair; G Harrington, Vice Chair; Deb Lievens, member; Bob Maxwell, member; Mike Byerly, member; and Mike Speltz, alternate member

**Absent:** David Heafey, member; and Susan Malouin, member

**Also present:** Amy Kizak, GIS Manager/Comprehensive Planner; and Beth Morrison, Recording Secretary.

Marge Badois called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. She appointed M Speltz to vote for D Heafey.

**Unfinished Business**

**Turtle Signs:** M Badois recapped from the last meeting that she received an email from a resident in the Kings to put up "Turtle Crossing" signs. She found two extra signs after the last meeting, so they do not need to order any. She said that she is going to give the signs to Dave Wholley, Director of Public Works and Municipal Facilities, to put up.

**Signs:** M Badois informed the Commission that she spoke to Imageability and is waiting on estimates for Mack's and Kendall Pond signs.

**Lithia Springs P&S:** M Badois informed the Commission that the purchase of Lithia Springs was presented to the Town Council last night and they had concerns about spending \$1.5 million for "swamp land." She went on stating that the Commission now has the task of figuring out how much of the parcel is wet and how much is buildable. She noted that this has been continued until the August 14, 2022, Town Council meeting.

**Wetland Council:** D Lievens told the Commission that she was at the Wetland Council today and Lori Sommer, Wetland Mitigation Coordinator, from The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) came and spoke to them. She said that Lori noted they are \$2 million over in requests, but Merrimack Valley is not over an outlandish amount, which sounded good to her.

**Buffer policy:** M Speltz mentioned that he came across a draft from April 15, 2019, of the Londonderry Conservation Commission Buffer Mitigation Policy. He said that he does not know if it was ever adopted. He pointed out that it is a guide to the Planning Board with respect to mitigating impacts to wetland and stream buffers. He noted that this goes beyond what the state's requirements are. He said that he can send this out to everyone to review for the next meeting. M Byerly asked if the Commission would follow this and give guidance to the Planning Board or would the Planning Board create an ordinance for the Town Council to approve. M Speltz replied that he believed it would be more of a guidance. M Badois asked how this would be enforced. M Speltz replied that the Commission can just recommend. M Badois asked if it would be beneficial to have this adopted into the Planning regulations. G Harrington



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35 explained that in order to get this into the regulations, it would need to go before both the Planning  
36 Board and the Town Council, whereas, by adopting it, the Planning Department would give to the  
37 developers at the start of their projects.

38 **List of flowers:** G Harrington asked if D Lievens came up with a list of recommendations. D Lievens  
39 replied that she started researching it and is still working on it. She mentioned that she is waiting on a  
40 contact from Native Plant Trust to email her back.

41 **Kiosks:** B Maxwell asked for guidance on the trailhead kiosks. He noted that most of the information on  
42 the kiosks is about Conservation, but he has seen some that are not related. He said that there was one  
43 from someone advertising to cut grass. He asked if there was a policy on this. M Badois replied that they  
44 do not. B Maxwell said that he will use his judgement, and if it deals with conservation, he will leave it  
45 up for a while.

46 **New Business**

47 **Moose Hill Event:** M Badois asked the Commission what kind of event they want to aim for. She asked if  
48 they want it associated with Old Home Days. D Lievens commented that she thought parking would be  
49 tough if it was a part of Old Home Days. M Badois suggested an event in September. M Speltz noted that  
50 the weather would be good in September. B Maxwell mentioned that September is U-pick season. D  
51 Lievens added that she thought the U-pick season would be helpful for the event. M Speltz said that he  
52 would be out of town until September 13, 2022, so the last two weeks of the month would be better. M  
53 Byerly asked what kind of people they are looking to have attend. M Badois replied that it was just for  
54 recognition. M Speltz suggested that the Commission could invite Senator Carson and Senator Sherman  
55 to this event. M Byerly commented that when Trailways does this it is usually done during the week.

56 **Other Business**

57 **Minutes:** The Commissioners went over the public minutes of June 28, 2022. G Harrington made a  
58 motion to approve the minutes as amended. D Lievens seconded the motion. The motion passed, 4-0-2,  
59 with M Byerly and B Maxwell abstaining.

60 **Adjournment:** M Byerly made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. G Harrington seconded the  
61 motion. The motion passed, 6-0-0.

62 Respectfully Submitted,  
63 Beth Morrison  
64 Recording Secretary